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## The Destiny of Hawaii

FOURTH district voters should vote the straight Republican ticket at the coming election. The destiny of Hawaii is bound by the closest ties, the closest cords, to that great political party.

The Republican party stands for progress. Its policies are constructive. Under its guidance and tutelage in national affairs the United States of America had become the greatest Republic the world has ever known, a land where personal liberty, free speech and the doctrine of equality before the law, are the law. A land of equal opportunity such as Earth has never seen before.

The Republican party stands for Americanism, one hundred per cent pure. It stands for the protection of American industry against unjust competition with that of Europe and Asia where the ideals of personal liberty are not the law of national life.

The ideals of the Republican party are progressive, positive, constructive. No Republican President has ever sought election or reelection to the highest office and the highest honor within the bestowal of the American people on negative, passive grounds. No Republican candidate has ever sought the support of the American people because he has "kept us out of war."

Under the Democratic administration we have become a nation of words and promises, not deeds. "Expediency," not "Right" has become the guiding rule at Washington.

What red-blooded American is there who can look with any other emotion than that of shame on the callous indifference to the rights of a common humanity in Mexico since Woodrow Wilson became President?

What has America, the greatest Republic in history, had to say on behalf of the rights of neutral nations? We are standing now supinely at ease watching the common people of Holland, of Norway, of Sweden, of Denmark and of Spain, starve because we, the greatest neutral nation of them all dare not stand for the rights of non-combatant nations.

Is there any American who is proud of the United States having been "kept out of war"? Is there any American who glories in the refusal of our government and our President to protect the lives of American citizens on the high seas and in foreign lands?

The Republican party stands first and foremost for protection; the protection of American industry against unjust and unfair competition; the protection of the lives and property of every American citizen at home, on the high seas, in foreign lands; the protection of the right of any American citizen to go where he will, to trade with whom he wishes,—there is nothing of expediency here—the Republican party stands for the right, because it is the right.

In our community life little of respect is given any man who changes his opinion to suit that of his neighbors. Has the United States gained anything at all worth having, during the last three and a half years?

The Democratic party stands for Free Trade on the erroneous ground that American trade will thereby automatically flow out into foreign countries if protective tariffs are removed. Considering that our government has suddenly refused to grant its protection to Americans who have been foolishly enough to enter foreign lands, where is the lure of a greater foreign commerce?

Our Democratic friends say "Vote for us. This is a Democratic year. Join the winning side. Float like a dead leaf on the top of the wave and go where the flood carries you."

This is not going to be a "Democratic year." But, suppose that calamity again engulfs us, of what use to any man is it to be simply part of the driftwood of a vacillating nation? Do you expect to get anywhere by joining a political party that is headed nowhere, and does not care?

There is no guesswork about what the Republican party stands for. The Republican leaders lead. They stand for the right because it is right, not because it is expedient.

The Republican party stands for the protection of American rights and liberties, but holds that principles are greater than life, and that the right shall prevail. "Wilson has kept us out of war." Has he kept us from disgrace? Our candidates stand for the principles of progressive, active, daring Americanism. The Republican party has its gaze direct ahead, not as one who has passed a dangerous quicksand to stand looking backward, gibbering the phrase, "he has kept us out of war," "he has saved our petty lives."

Principles are greater than the men who represent them, but a vote for the men is a vote for what they stand for. At this time a vote for a Republican candidate is a vote of protest and of confidence,—protest against the continuation of the rule of the party indecision, the Democratic party,—confidence in the future of the American people under the positive, progressive, constructive leadership of a Republican President.

A vote for the candidates of the Republican party in Hawaii is a reaffirmation of our faith in progress and prosperity for Hawaii.

This is the year when The Advertiser feels itself upon high ground in advocating the straight Republican ticket in the fourth district. But for the fact that the fifth district house ticket is filthy with the names of two unashamed blacklegs, The Advertiser would be an out-and-out straight ticket advocate for Oahu. In the matter of the Delegation and the senatorial ticket and the house ticket in the fourth we are, unqualifiedly.

## Mobilizing the Farmers

IN an address delivered October 14 before the National Irrigation Congress at El Paso, Prof. H. M. Colvin stated that if the American farmer can learn to cooperate with his neighbors and if the Rural Credits law can be fully adapted to American conditions, the farm area of the United States will support twice the population, dry-farming and irrigation will open new areas, and there will be a back-to-the-land "stampede."

Speaking on the origin and growth of rural credits, he outlined their purpose by saying: "The mobilized farmer gets mobilized money at a very low rate of interest by mobilized security." The essential factor is the mobilization of the farmer.

Reviewing the terms of the Rural Credits bill, and questioning whether it would work well in America, he said:

Unlike Austria, the government of the United States does not compel the American farmer to join these cooperative groups and thereby secure his Rural Credits, and many doubts are of the opinion that the character of the American farmer is such that he cannot be induced to cooperate on the "All for each and each for all" basis necessary to make rural credits a success. They point out that the environment of the European farmer has made him essentially a cooperative citizen.

There each farmer does not live upon his farm but each farmer lives in a farm village to which he resorts each evening at the close of the day's work; in the village he enjoys a community life that is not enjoyed by the American farmer who is isolated on his farm. In Europe the farmer never tells his land nor moves away from the farm village. The farm lands of America are continually changing hands and the average residence on a farm lasts but five years. The same farm stays in the same family for many generations in Europe and there is so much intermarriage that in some farm villages everyone is related to everyone else.

There is not this continuity of ownership and winding power of blood in American rural communities. All members of the family including the women and children work in the fields and at harvest times relatives to the thirty-second cousin pitch in and help. In America the women and children do not work in the field and even exchange of help at harvest times has passed away and crops are harvested by transient hired help.

Unit activities on the part of European farmers is made natural and easy by the fact that all members of the farm community belong to the same race. In America there may be a dozen nationalities in one rural community. All members of a rural community in Europe believe in the same religion and belong to the same church, while in America there are many religious sects in the same rural community. The standard of living of the European farmer is much more ample than that of the American farmer and at the close of the crop year he has more proportionate money left to pay his interest and reduce his principal.

The European farmer has been envied into a cooperative man. The American farmer has been envied into a non-cooperative man. He has more initiative than his European brother and is much more independent in his thoughts and acts. However, his pioneering experience has given him a high grade of intelligence. The question is will his intelligence overcome his non-cooperative nature and will he avail himself of the advantages offered him by the Rural Credit System initiated by our Government? The skeptic answers this question: "No." Let us hope the skeptic is wrong.

## Apropos of Hillebrand

The downtown business district early this morning was without water for approximately two hours due to a break in a valve at the Beretania pumping station. The threads on the valve stem stripped, allowing the gate to drop, which shut off the water. A new stem was put in and before nine o'clock water was again running through the mains.—Star-Bulletin.

A correspondent calls the attention of The Advertiser to the news item above, published in the afternoon paper, and makes the following appropriate comments:

"Note the above, and possibly you will also recall that six or eight months ago the Kaimuki pump broke down and that at that time the city watering carts peddled water to the households of Kaimuki. There was a full reservoir on Palolo Hill.

"Suppose such a thing should happen at a time when there was an immense conflagration in the heart of the business district of Honolulu.

"Aside from the question of a water supply, and possibly power to be derived from Nuuanu No. 4 reservoir, isn't the question of fire protection for our business district an important one when the question of the value of Nuuanu Dam is under discussion? We are too far behind the times at present, but some day we will wake up, and will have a high pressure fire system for our business district, from Nuuanu, with mains to stand the pressure.

"In the meantime it is well to have that supply to fall back on when a pump breaks down, or a valve at Beretania very inconsiderately closes off its own volition."

## A Learned Department

ONE of the peculiar things about the very peculiar attitude of City Attorney Brown and the bright young men associated with him, in their learned decisions concerning Kalakana Avenue and the relocation there of the rapid transit tracks, is that they should be obstructing what the supervisors, superintendent of public works and rapid transit directors have all been trying to do, because these officials and directors have only been trying to find some way out of the hole into which the blunderings of the city attorney and his bright young men have led the city.

If the city attorney and his b. y. m. had drawn up a proper contract for the Spalding Construction Company to sign in the first place the question of the temporary relocation of the rails would never have come up.

## BREVITIES

(From Saturday Advertiser.)  
The Mikado's birthday will be celebrated by the members of the Japanese chamber of commerce on November 4 at the Mochizuki Club, Waikiki.

Moss, the six-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mahalo Ehu of Waiakamilo Road, Kalili, died on Thursday and was buried yesterday in the Kawaiaha cemetery.

The Royal Hawaiian Band, which has been on a month's vacation, will resume its public concerts next Wednesday night. Leader Kalani expects a strenuous week preceding the regular election day on November 7.

Eleven of the sixty-three candidates at the primary election had failed to file their election expense account at the expiration of the time limit Thursday night. David Kalakaua, county clerk, plans to send letters to the delinquent ones.

Another Portuguese boy was arrested yesterday by Joe Leal, probation officer, on a charge of stealing from dressing rooms at the public baths, Waikiki. The boy admitted he had been pilfering the rooms since school started. Leal arrested a Portuguese boy on the same charge Thursday.

(From Sunday Advertiser.)  
Edna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brode of First Avenue, Kalihi, died on Friday shortly after birth. The body was cremated yesterday.

Akane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kauka, of 525 Mokuae Road and Ashford Street, Kalihi, died on Friday and was buried yesterday in the Hanalei-mau cemetery. The little boy was four months and fourteen days old.

Outside interference cannot aid the situation which has arisen from the recent water-front strike according to Japanese Consul General Moroi who has returned from a trip of investigation to Maui. He conferred with representatives of employers, union men and non-union men. "Union Japanese must settle for themselves difficulties which have come of their own actions," said Mr. Moroi.

(From Tuesday Advertiser.)  
The license commission will meet at the city hall to take up for further hearing of the Thompson trial.

The Royal Hawaiian Band's annual vacation of a month comes to an end today and tomorrow night the musicians, led by Prof. Peter Kalani will give a public concert.

The regular monthly meeting of the Free Kindergarten and Children's Aid Association will be held at the home of Mrs. F. M. Swaney on Friday morning at half past nine o'clock.

Billy, Leinani, the four-month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Kalili of 1865D Liliha Street, died on Sunday and was buried yesterday in the Paoan Hawaiian Church cemetery. Rev. Samuel K. Kamali, assistant pastor of Kaunakapili Church, Palama, officiating.

The contemplated additions to the Hilo Armory have been ruled by Attorney General Stanback to be within the law and work on the additions, which has been delayed pending settlement of the difficulty, is to be resumed, notwithstanding the fact that injunction suits are threatened to prevent it.

The Waikanae road, Hilo, work upon which, according to the engineers of the department of public works, will be started soon, will be a short cut to the volcano for passengers arriving at Kilauea, and those in charge of promotion matter are eagerly awaiting its completion. The road will be one and a half miles long and will cut off about that distance on the trip to Kilauea.

## DROWNING REVIVES OLD PATROL PLAN

No Trace of Sergeant Mitchell's Body and Hopes Almost Abandoned

The movement for a trained life-saving patrol along the beach was revived yesterday with the news of the death of Sergeant James A. Mitchell, Second Company, C. A. C., who lost his life in the presence of his wife and two children who were saved by companions when all four were swept from the reef out to sea by a heavy undertow.

Up to a late hour last night no trace of Sergeant Mitchell's body had been found though details of men continued the search all day that was started immediately after the accident. Hope of recovering the body has been practically given up.

W. E. Farrington, who was one of those in the first searching parties that set out from the shore Sunday after Mitchell's body, said yesterday:

"When we got to the channel where the man had been carried out, though the tide was ebbing in, the current was running out this channel like a mill race. A swimmer could have no chance against it. If there had been a beach patrol within so long a call as Waikiki who knew currents and could detect the efforts of rescuers we would at least know that every effort had been made to save life. A trained life-saver might run a possible chance of saving the man by working his way through the breakers in a boat or on a surf board. There ought to be a beach patrol and there ought to be signs on the beach to warn people from the known places of danger."

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## PERSONALS

(From Saturday Advertiser.)  
John Bohenberg, a well-known contractor of Hilo, is visiting in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Au Kwa Yan, of Liliha and Stayton Streets, welcomed at their home last Sunday the arrival of a daughter.

Delegate Jonah K. Kaimanalo will be at home on Monday afternoon, from four to five o'clock, to receive his Hawaiian friends.

Rev. Samuel K. Kamali, assistant pastor of Kaunakapili Church, Palama, returned in the Kilauea yesterday from Maui, where he spent several days on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Moore of Third Avenue, Kaimuki, are spending the week at the Hauula Hotel, Windward Oahu. They are enjoying the sea and mountain air.

The Rt. Rev. Henry Boyd-Restorick, Bishop of Honolulu, who has been in the mainland attending the annual convention of the Episcopal Church, will return to Honolulu about the middle of next month.

D. Howard Hitecock, Hawaii's well-known landscape artist, has returned from Maui, where he spent a week making sketches on the summit of Haleakala and particularly of the wonderful cloud effects there.

With Rev. A. V. Somers, the pastor of the Catholic Church, and Miss Ida May Keeser were married on Wednesday in the Portuguese Evangelical Church. The witnesses were Albert J. Vivas and Harry W. Kilie.

(From Sunday Advertiser.)  
A son was born last Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Freitas of Block 24, Kapolihi Tract, Kalihi-ka.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ke, of 2001 Port Street Extension, near Paoan Road, welcomed on Friday the arrival of a daughter at their home.

George J. Gorn and Miss Kalanibou Lukia were married yesterday by Rev. Father Victorinus Chasen, of the Catholic Cathedral. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blackman have returned from a tour of the mainland. Mr. Blackman is now connected with the Vieux Jewelry Company, where he is in charge of the watch department.

Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Heapy were passengers in the Minna Ka yesterday for Lahaina, Maui, accompanying the ladies of the late Mrs. Susan Dorcas Heapy, which will be buried this afternoon in the Iao Cemetery, Waikuku.

(From Monday Advertiser.)  
August Dreier returned in the Mikahala yesterday from Molokai.

D. L. Austin, of Theodore Davies & Co., arrived in the Kilauea yesterday from Kauai.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Dunbar were passengers in the Mikahala yesterday from Molokai.

Henry W. Kinney, superintendent of the department of public instruction, was a returning passenger in the Kilauea from Kauai yesterday.

A. E. Chandler returned in the steamer Kilauea yesterday morning from Kauai. He was accompanied by George E. Larsson, of the United States Geological Survey.

Among the passengers arriving on the Mauna Loa Saturday night from Maui were James Hood, of the Maui Pineapple Company, and Edmund F. Deimert, of the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company.

(From Tuesday Advertiser.)  
A son, Eddie, was born on October 21 to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Kinilau of 1234 Kaimua Lane.

Joachim Garcia, assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Waikuku, who arrived last Saturday, returned in the Mauna Loa last night to his Valley Island home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Austin Jones of 2230 Kamehameha Avenue, College Hill, Manoa Valley, welcomed at their home on October 19 a daughter, who has been named Helen Louise.

Rev. Samuel K. Kamali, assistant pastor of Kaunakapili Church, Palama, celebrated yesterday his forty-ninth birthday anniversary. He was born in Lahaina, Maui, on October 30, 1867.

Jose da Costa and Miss Eva Fernandez were married last Saturday at the Catholic Cathedral by Rev. Father Victorinus Chasen, the witnesses being Manuel Mattos Pereira and Mrs. E. B. Johnson.

With Rev. M. E. Silva of the Hoomea Nahu Church officiating, Edward A. Williams and Miss Rosalinda Fraga Silveira were married yesterday. The witnesses were Elma Ramsey and Warren Bedford.

Carl A. Rundorf, steam-pow engineer at Wainane, and Mrs. Annie E. Baskerville of Heala, this island, were married last Saturday by Rev. M. E. Silva, of the Hoomea Nahu Church, the witnesses being M. A. Azevedo and Sarah Mills.

In the presence of a limited number of intimate friends, J. P. Powers, member of the crew of the U. S. Submarine No. 6, and Mrs. F. Ward were married at eight o'clock last night at the home of Mrs. J. M. Ward, 1432 Emma Street. The witnesses were P. Galbraith and F. E. Soldier.

With Rev. Father H. Valentin, pastor of the Catholic Church of St. Augustine-by-the-Sea, Waikiki, officiating, David A. Martin and Miss Clara A. Silva were married last Saturday night at the Catholic Mission. The witnesses were Jordao Augusto Silva and Mrs. Maria Silva Almeida.

NEW CROP CUBAS SELL  
JANUARY DELIVERY AT 5.52

According to cable advice received by a local sugar house, sales of raw sugar at New York during the week ending October 29 are 150,000 bags. Cubas in store, 17,000 bags. Porto Blass for first half of November delivery, and a small quantity of full-duty sugars about.

There have been small sales of new crop Cubas first half January and first half February delivery at 5.52, presumably for export.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
CALLS CONFERENCE

Summons College Presidents to Discuss Military Training of Students

The plans for the conference of college and university heads recently called at Washington by the war department to discuss the establishment of systematic methods for teaching the element of military training for reserve officers are briefly outlined in the following despatch from the national capital. The college presidents met at the War College, October 17, as was announced in the Advertiser at the time. The despatch says:

It has been estimated that the Army must maintain a corps of 50,000 partially trained junior officers to facilitate organization of an adequate military force should the nation have war with a power capable of attempting invasion.

National guard organizations composed entirely of college students have been mustered out of the federal service so that those men may compose the first increment of reserve officers to be drawn upon under the new plan.

Officials expected to attend the conference include:

Dr. J. E. Mayeroff, Princeton; A. Lawrence Lowell, Harvard; Arthur T. Hadley, Yale; John B. Finley, University of Michigan; George H. Denney, University of Alabama; E. W. Nichols, Virginia Military Institute; Benjamin Ide Wheeler, University of California; J. G. Schurman, Cornell; Edmund J. James, University of Illinois; J. H. Kirkland, Vanderbilt University; A. C. Humphreys, Stevens Institute of Technology; H. A. Garfield, Williams College; Rev. Edward A. Pace, Catholic University of America; Henry S. Drinker, Lehigh University; W. D. Thompson, Ohio State University; Brown Ayres, University of Tennessee; W. M. Riggs, Clemson Agricultural College, South Carolina; George E. Vincent, University of Minnesota.

Dr. Granville Clark, J. Lloyd Derby and De Lancy K. Jay, officials of the Military Training Camps Association of the United States, also will attend.

PLATTSBURG CAMP  
IS NOW DESERTED

Troop I of the Second United States Cavalry is all that remains of the 12,000 men who have had military training in Plattsburg during the past four months, according to a story in the New York Times. The Coast Artillery, Engineers, two troops of cavalry and the machine gun troop left yesterday for their home stations.

The students left Thursday, and in two days the regulars had all the tents down and all government property packed in sheds, to be protected by Troop I until the camp opens again next June. Maj. Harrison Hall, who has been in command of the regulars during the past month with Maj. F. H. Lawton, quartermaster, will remain until the middle of next week, winding up business affairs here.

The Plattsburg Chamber of Commerce already has started preparations for next year's camp, and today announced that the camp will be on 350 acres of land, and will deal it over to the United States government. The property is a sandy stretch, on which the June encampment was held, and which was later occupied by the Fourth, Eighth and Tenth Training Regiments.

These purchases and gifts are the result of the statement made by Major General Wood last Thursday that there would be between 25,000 and 30,000 students here next fall.

MARE ISLAND ASKED TO  
BID ON TWO DESTROYERS

Secretary Daniels Wires Information to Senator Phelan

Secretary of the Navy Daniels wired United States Senator Phelan, in response to a despatch from Phelan, that Mare Island Navy Yard has been invited to submit estimates for the construction of two destroyers in the last naval appropriation bill. A Senator Phelan's despatch to the secretary of the navy he stated he was satisfied the yard at Mare Island could construct two destroyers at least cost and on schedule time.

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS  
BIG BALL OF PHENIX

One of the most successful balls ever held by any lodge in Honolulu was given by the supreme lodge of Phoenix on Saturday night at Phoenix Hall. Approximately 300 couples enjoyed the dancing that lasted until midnight.

The grand march was led by Harry Whitcomb and Mrs. W. S. King. More than 1300 sandwiches were served during the evening, and compliments are being passed to Charles Korpel, of Fort Shafter, for the efficient manner in which he conducted the commissary department. At the first "ladies' night" of the lodge the affair was voted an unqualified success.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Freitas of Kailua Tract, Kalihi-ka, welcomed at their home on Monday the advent of a daughter who has been named Harriet.

NORWEGIANS SHIP  
FROM COAST PORTS

Stop Business Through British Commission House, Reports Declare

Previous to the war Norwegians purchased large quantities of barley, dried fruits and canned goods through the commission houses of Great Britain and Germany.

Norwegian interests since have purchased four large steamers in San Francisco and now have four or five more in process of construction on San Francisco bay. Two steamers are being built on Puget Sound for Norway; one for Norway and two on the Columbia River.

Through the formation of a new company known as the Pacific Steamship Company the interests of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and the Pacific-Alaska Navigation Company, known as the Admiral line, have been merged in an organization that will control about 23 large passenger vessels having an approximate value of \$22,000,000 and that will operate steamships from Nome to San Diego.

BRITISHERS STOP  
EXPORT LICENSES

Shipments of Many Additional Commodities Are Placed On Tabu List

It is officially announced from London that no further export licenses or other facilities will be given by His Majesty's government for the importation into Denmark of: Apricot kernels, borate of lime, borax and boron compounds, bristles, egg yolk and albumen, grass seeds, hair, meat, sage starches, sulphur, tale (powdered), tannin, vegetable fibers, until further notice. October 1 is the date fixed after which facilities will be given for the importation of animal oils and fats and vegetable oils and seeds (excluding soy beans) into Denmark.

Licenses for the export of the following goods to Norway will also be stopped until further notice: Beef casings, borax and boron compounds, cocoa, nickels, pitch, sheepskins, tale (powdered), tar, tar oil. No licenses for Sweden will be issued until further notice for the export of the following: Antimony, apricot kernels, binder twine, bristles, carnauba wax, caseln, casings, coconuts, corkwood, dried fruit, gums (except shellac), hair, honey, leather, magnesia (raw material), meat, penicillin, plan kernels, rice, rosin, spices, sisal, steel (highspeed), turpentine, turpentine oil.

Finally, export licenses to Holland are to cease until further notice for: Biscuits, bristles, eggs, egg yolk and egg albumen, fish oil, fish nuts and kernels, gums, hair, honey, matches, pitch, preserved and canned goods, sulphur, spirits, spices, starches, rubber and balata, tale (powdered), tar, vegetable fibers, yeast.

REPORT ON MACHINE  
GUNS PUBLISHED

Government Board Asks Inventors and Gun Makers To Submit Data

WASHINGTON, October 7.—The board composed of officers of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps and two civilians, appointed by the Secretary of War to investigate the machine-gun question, with a view to selective types of this class of weapon for the army, issued a statement today inviting information. The statement reads in part:

"While no decision has been made to hold further tests, the board considers such action probable and is sending written requests to manufacturers and inventors of machine rifles to appear before the board next week. As there may be manufacturers and inventors of machine guns in this country not known to the board, it would appreciate the assistance of the press in disseminating throughout the country the invitation to all inventors of machine rifles to appear before the board in Washington next Friday, Oct. 13.

The board does not desire the submission of that preliminary hearing of the gun or of drawings and descriptions thereof, although any of the latter that may be submitted will be considered at a later date. Each inventor or manufacturer who appears before the board should deliver a written statement giving the following information:

(A) Name of company making the gun, its address and location of factory, and estimated rate of manufacture.

(B) Type or types of machine rifles it is proposed to submit.

(C) Whether the gun is in its present stage of development has been tested by the Army or Navy, and if so, when.

(D) By what nation or nations is the machine gun now being used, and in what numbers, and for what purpose?

(E) The earliest practicable date on which a gun, complete with mount, spare parts, accessories and feed belts, strips or magazines for 4,800 rounds, could be delivered for a competitive test should the board decide to hold such a test."